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Information Required of Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Section 17 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING	01/01/03 AND ENDIN	G 12/31/03	
A.	REGISTRANT IDE	NTIFICATION	
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: ARAPAHO	PARTNERS LLC		OFFICIAL USE ONLY
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUS	SINESS: (Do not use P.0	D. Box No.)	FIRMID, NO.
12 East 49 <sup>th</sup> Street, 35 <sup>th</sup> floor	`	,	
New York	(No. and Street)		10017
(City)	(State)		(Zip Code)
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PELAURIE FREDERICKS, CHIEF FILE  B. A  INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT w	NANCIAL OFFICER	(Ar	212-339-2732 ea Code – Telephone No.)
Ernst & Young LLP			
5 Times Square	(Name – of individual, state last, first, <b>New York</b>	middle name) <b>NY</b>	10036
(Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
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\*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).



#### **DATH OR AFFIRMATION**

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Febru	ary 26 , 20 <sup>04</sup>	, are true and correct. If	urther swear (or affirm) that neither the company	
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Independent auditor's report on internal accounting control. Schedule of segregation requirements and funds in segregation – customers' regulated commodity futures account pursuant □ (p) to Rule 171-5

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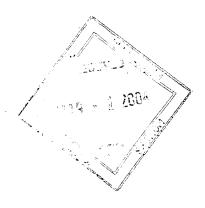
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

Arapaho Partners, LLC

December 31, 2003 with Report of Independent Auditors

# Statement of Financial Condition

## December 31, 2003

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### Report of Independent Auditors

To the Members of Arapaho Partners, LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Arapaho Partners, LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2003. This statement of financial condition is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Arapaho Partners, LLC at December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

As described in Note 2, the opening balance of Members' Equity has been restated to reflect the revenues earned for the year ended December 31, 2002.

Ernst & Young LLP

February 23, 2004

# Statement of Financial Condition

## December 31, 2003

Assets	
Cash	\$ 181,397
Placement fees receivable	944,625
Other receivables	5,597
Prepaid expenses	13,614
Other assets	716
	\$ 1,145,949
Liabilities and members' equity Accrued expenses and other liabilities	\$ 16,486
Members' equity	1,129,463
Total liabilities and members' equity	\$ 1,145,949

See notes to statement of financial condition.

#### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2003

#### 1. Organization

Arapaho Partners, LLC (the "Company") was formed under the laws of the state of Delaware as a limited liability company. The Company registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc ("NASD"). The objective of the Company is to earn fees by acting as a selling agent for private placement securities or direct participation interests in other investment vehicles. Accordingly, the Company does not carry customers' accounts and does not receive, deliver or hold cash or securities in connection with its selling activities.

The Company shall continue until March 17, 2023, unless the Company is dissolved before such date in accordance with the provisions of the Company agreement.

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of the statement of financial condition in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company is treated as an unincorporated business for local tax purposes. While local taxes have been provided at statutory rates, the Company is not subject to Federal or state taxation. Federal and state income taxes are the responsibility of the individual members.

#### **Placement Fees**

The Company, from time to time, enters into agreements with counterparties in the capacity of a selling agent to solicit investors for new funds. Pursuant to these agreements, in exchange for services provided, the Company is compensated with an amount that is usually calculated as a percentage of the capital committed by third parties. Placement Fees are recognized as the related services are provided and the new investors commit capital to the fund.

### Notes to Statement of Financial Condition (continued)

December 31, 2003

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Restatement of Member's Equity

The opening balance of Members' Equity has been restated to reflect placement fees earned but not recorded for the year ended December 31, 2002.

#### 3. Placement Fees

At December 31, 2003, placement fees receivable are due from one investment manager.

#### 4. Net Capital Requirement

As a registered broker-dealer, the Company is subject to Uniform Net Capital Rule 15c3-1 (the "Rule") of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company's minimum net capital requirement is the greater of 6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness, as defined, or \$5,000. The Rule also requires that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1. Also, certain advances, payments of dividends and other equity withdrawals are subject to certain notification provisions of the Rule. At December 31, 2003, the Company had net capital, as defined, of \$164,911 exceeding requirements by \$159,911. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.1 to 1.

#### 5. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The fair value of Company's assets and liabilities, which qualify as financial instruments under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 107, "Disclosures About Fair Value of Financial Instruments," approximates the carrying amounts presented in the statement of financial condition.